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E.O. 11652: N/A

TAGS: PINS, LE

SUBJ: INCIDENT INVOLVING UN LEBANESE AMBASSADOR GHORRA

1. AT APPROXIMATELY 9:00PM, SUNDAY, JANUARY 11, 1976, UNKNOWN MALE ENTERED LOBBY OF APARTMENT HOUSE OF LEBANESE UN AMBASSADOR EDOUARD GHORRA AND ASKED TO SPEAK WITH HIM. DOORMAN ALLOWED VISITOR TO USE HOUSE PHONE AND HE SPOKE WITH MRS. GHORRA WHO WAS ALONE IN APARTMENT. CONVERSATION WAS IN ARABIC. VISITOR LEFT BUILDING UPON COMPLETING CALL.

2. SUBSEQUENT INFORMATION FROM MRS. GHORRA REVEALED CALLER STATED THAT IF AMB GHORRA ATTENDED UN SC DEBATE ON MIDDLE EAST FOLLOWING DAY, HE WOULD BE KILLED. IN FURTHER CONVERSATION WITH MRS. GHORRA, CALLER GAVE IMPRESSION HE WAS FRIENDLY TO THE AMBASSADOR AND WAS WARNING HIM AGAINST WHAT OTHERS MIGHT DO.

3. SECURITY OFFICER USUN NOTIFIED NEW YORK CITY POLICE WHO IMMEDIATELY RESPONDED TO GHORRA APARTMENT. INTERVIEWS WERE HELD WITH DOORMAN, MRS. GHORRA, AND THE AMBASSADOR WHO HAD RETURNED HOME. AT USUN'S REQUEST, POLICE HAVE ESTABLISHED A 24-HOUR FIXED POST OUTSIDE GHORRA RESIDENCE. AMB GHORRA HAS BEEN ASSIGNED PLAINCLOTHES DETECTIVES WHO

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WILL ACCOMPANY HIM ON ALL MOVES THROUGHOUT THE CITY AND REMAIN

WITH HIM UNTIL HE RETIRES FOR THE EVENING.

4. FBI HAS BEEN NOTIFIED, THEY WILL INVESTIGATE AND PRESENT
CASE TO US ATTORNEY'S OFFICE FOR PROSECUTIVE OPINION.

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